

Benton County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in May	Descriptor Term: Student Communicable Diseases	Descriptor Code: 6.403	Issued Date: 11/04/13
		Rescinds: 6.403	Issued: 08/04/06

1 Parents or guardians of infected students shall inform appropriate school officials of the infection so that
2 proper precautions for the protection of other students, employees, and the infected student shall be taken.

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4 No student with a communicable disease, parasite or fungal infestation which may endanger the health of
5 either himself or other individuals will enter or remain in the regular school setting.^{1,2}

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7 If a school principal has reason to believe a student has a communicable disease or parasite or fungal in-
8 festation which may endanger the health of either himself or other individuals in the regular school setting,
9 the principal shall:

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11 1. Assign the student to a setting which will protect other students, employees, and the student
12 himself; or
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14 2. Exclude the student from school until the student is no longer communicable, as certified by a
15 licensed health care provider or the county health department or in accordance with head lice
16 procedures as stated in 6.4031.

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18 If the principal has reason to believe that the student has a long-term communicable disease, the principal
19 must require confirmation from a physician or the county health department as to the student's condition.
20 If the student is confirmed to have a long-term communicable disease, the principal shall refer the student
21 for special education services.³

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23 The principal may request that further examinations be conducted by a physician or County Health De-
24 partment and may request periodic re-examinations after the student has been readmitted to the school.²

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26 The names of all students excluded from school under this policy will be forwarded to the office of the
27 Director of Schools.

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33 Legal References:

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35 1. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(c)
36 2. T.C.A. 49-2-203(b)(2)
37 3. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(g)(2)(i)
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